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INVADER OF CUBA DEPICTS DEBACLE

Prisoner Is Said to Blame staged. 'False' Intelligence

The mass trial of 1,179 Cubans by the invaders. It hurriedly uncaptured to last April's futile loaded some crates but took off invasion has been told that of the wounded faulty intelligence, presumably

were told that they were land- for six days, ing on an uninhabited beach

Havana newspapers published written the letter to his parents, the letter, which was purported Mr. and Mrs. José Peres Torres to have been written by one of

Dafa Held False

The gist of the letter attrinuted to Senor San Roman folows:

The invaders were given false and inexact" information that Premier Fidel Castro's army was demoralized, that it was without tanks, that the inwaders would go in with sir beach and that it would take, Premier Castro's forces three days to react.

The first wave of invadors to land on the beach found that most of its communications equipment would not work beause of "simple and fragile" onstruction.

Supply ships vanished peyond he horizon after one haft been amk by the Cuban air force, which quickly established air appriority. Many air-drapped applies must have fallen highed he lines of the Castro forces. instead of an uninhabited wach, the invaders ran in a town with hundreds of Uphts" and a communications ling/with Havann. The slarm was aponda swiftly,

The second day dawned with without communications or succeed supplies. The investors est suffered considerable (1) (191dices from Cuban troops hid: They were without pan-

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With the first day's landings, diversionary investors also were planned for Finar del Rio province in the west and within province in the extreme and the resemble of the varieties at he time, but he letter than the lette said neither invasion had been

Wounded Left Behind

On the third day of the invasion. .. twin-engine transport HAVANA, March 31 (AP)- landed on an airstrip prepared without having picked up any

When the Castro armored by the United States, led to dis- forces drove within 500 yards of the invaders' last-ditch post-Supporting landings never tion, Senor San Roman and a came, promised air cover never group of aides fled to the showed up and invading forces swamps, where they roamed

"Hunger made us come to one only to run into troops and of the roads crossing some anks, according to a letter in-thickets in search of crabs." troduced at the military trial, the letter-said. A patrol cap-The trial, in Principe Prison, tured Señor San Roman, is in recess until Monday, but The invader was said to have

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the invaders, José Perez San of Miam on May 6, 1961, less artific a prisoners-for-tractors the invasion was prepared by Roman to his parents in Miami, than two weeks after his cap-tacking. The exchange talks the United States Central Insertor San Roman commanded ture.

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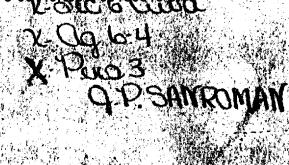
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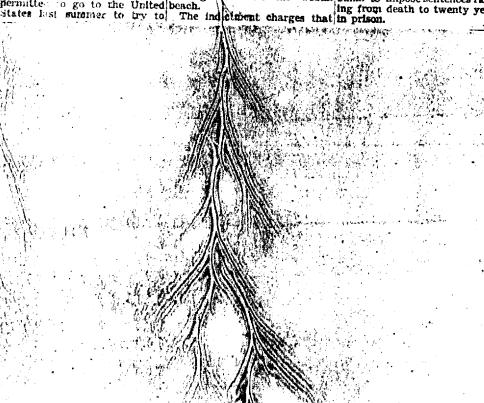
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Anoth r prisoner was quoted as having said that the United Sale Carbo had confirmed Sale Carbo had confirmed Sales Fad "invented the uncorally at his trial a statement precedence faree."

Western newsmen have been are sufficient of those captured in the attack and must vana new spaper publisher. Sefior the United States of the prisoners have pleaded accurate the United States of the prisoners have pleaded having taken part in training guilty. The prosecution is experiment-controlled press.

The Havana press asserts all the United States of the U





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